

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for controlling a circuit-breaker intended for opening and closing this electric power cut-off device comprising a mobile contact, ~~this~~ said control device comprising a motor ~~[(3)]~~ with a rotary output shaft ~~[(12)]~~ and being connected to power supply means ~~[(4-9)]~~ and to actuation means transforming the output displacement of said motor ~~[(3)]~~ into a displacement of said contact, the device also comprising an arrangement of a mechanical spring involved in opening and closing said contact, said spring arrangement including two pre-stressed and antagonist mechanical springs, ~~a first spring (15), a so-called an~~ opening spring, ensuring the opening of said contact and ~~a second spring (16), a so-called~~ closing spring, ensuring the closing of said contact, said actuation means being stressed by each of these two springs separated by a ring ~~[(18)]~~, and including an arrangement for immobilizing said contact in the open position and the closed position, characterized in that said actuation means include a set of jointed elements providing the connection of said rotary shaft ~~[(12)]~~ and of said ring ~~[(18)]~~, and in that, in the closed position of said contact, said set of jointed elements abuts against an abutment element ~~[(19)]~~ near ~~a dead centre position, a so-called an~~ open dead centre position, the opening spring ~~[(15)]~~ only being able to drive it towards the open position upon moving past ~~[[this]]~~ said open dead centre position during opening.

2. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said set of jointed elements comprises a crank ~~[(14)]~~ configured to be driven into rotation by said output shaft ~~[(12)]~~ and jointed at one end of a connecting rod ~~[(17)]~~, the other end of which is jointed on said ring ~~[(18)]~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 2, characterized in that, in the open position of said contact, said set of jointed elements abuts against said abutment element ~~near a dead centre position, a so-called closed dead centre~~ position, the closing spring being only able to drive it towards the closing position upon moving past this dead centre during closing.

4. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 2, characterized in that said crank is configured to be driven into rotation by said output shaft via a toothed segment meshed on said output shaft and on which it is jointed.

5. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said motor ~~is a motor for assisting and controlling the trajectory of said contact, powered by a power converter~~ is a motor for assisting and controlling the trajectory of said contact, powered by a power converter controlled by a position and speed regulator.

6. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 5, characterized in that said regulator provides damping of the displacement of said contact at the end of the travel for opening and at the end of the travel for closing.

7. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said springs ~~are mounted aligned along an axis, one of their respective~~ are mounted aligned along an axis, one of the ends of the springs abutting against a spring abutment ~~and the other end of the springs of their facing ends being separated by a ring~~.

8. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that it includes~~ further comprising an arrangement for disengaging the action of the closing spring [[(16)]].

9. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim [[2]] 8, characterized in that said disengaging arrangement ~~consists~~ is in a device for controlled displacement of said abutment [[(16A)]]of the closing spring [[(16)]].

10. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ further comprising a device for pushing [[(23)]] said set of jointed elements towards its open dead centre.

11. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim [[2]] 10, characterized in that said pushing device ~~consists~~ is in a striker [[(23)]] intended to stress said crank [[(14)]].

12. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, characterized in that in the closing and opening positions of said contact, said connecting rod [[(17)]] abuts against said abutment element [[(19)]].